Washington, D.C. 28 August, 1952

Dear Allan,

Because of the apparently joint nature of the request by David Bruce and yourself for assorted variations, ad lib, on the Middle East theme, I am giving them to you with the thought that you might glance over them before passing them along.

God willing, I shall be in California in the morning and spend a few more weeks there with before we go back, with dubious countenance, to take up the White Man's burden in those lands of long and sullen memory - and short and sullen preview.

Having been kicked out of the State Department once, and out of Persia - by the State Department - twice, I am beginning to suspect that we don't see eye to eye. Being at the same time a rational person, I admit the theoretical possibility that they are right.

It was good to see you, as always.
Our love to Clover.

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